ANNUAL REPORTS

of the town of

STRATHAM

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For The Year Ending

DECEMBER 31, 1944

As Compiled By The Town Officers

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

SELECTMEN,

TOWN TREASURER, HIGHWAY AGENTS,

BOARD OF EDUCATION ,LIBRARY TRUSTEES

AND TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

of the town of

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TOWN OFFICERS

Supervisors Of The Checklist

Levi H. Barker — Arnold Whittaker, Jr.

Clifford A. Sharp

Moderator

George C. Jewell

Town Clerk

Mary R. Tuck

Selectmen

*Nelson E. Barker — Walter A. Scamman

Leslie C. Scammon

Treasurer

Frank H. Pearson

Collector of Taxes

Ralph D. Parkman

Auditors

Gladys Chapman — Edwin A. Tannar

Board of Education

*Hilda G. Barker — Bertha C. Wiggin

Ralph E. Ferguson

Trustees of Trust Funds

*Robert S. Berry — Marshall S. Chase

W. Douglas Scamman

Library Trustee

Annie W. Scammon — *Frank H. Pearson

Helen Gowen

Highway Agent

Ernest T. Wiggin

Board of Health

L. Russell Chapman

Police

L. Russell Chapman

Representative to General Court

W. Douglas Scamman

*Term Expires

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L. S.)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Stratham on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act uppon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for road construction; raise and appropriate $211.10 for the same.

4. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to sell the Old Post Office building.

5. To see if the Town will take any action in regard to a suitable memorial for the boys and girls from this town serving in the armed forces; raise and appropriate money for the same.

6. To see if the Town will accept the following provisions of the will of the late Charles E. Gear which relates to the Town of Stratham:

> To the Town of Stratham, I give the sum of Five Thousand ($5,000) Dollars, in trust, nevertheless, to expend one-half of the income for the care of Stratham Hill Park, and the other half of the income to buy books for the Town Library and for the care of the Library grounds.

To the Town of Stratham, I give the sum of One Thousand ($1,000) Dollars, in trust, nevertheless, the income to be used for the care of the cemetery lot where I shall be buried, and it is my desire that any balance of the income that is left after such an amount has been expended as is necessary for the care of the lot, be used for the improvement of the cemetery.

7. To see if the Town will vote a 1% discount on such part of taxes as are paid on or before August 15th.

8. To see if the Town will vote to change Willow Brook Avenue so as to join High Street on the west side of the Thompson House (so called); raise and appropriate money for the same.

9. To see if the Town will vote to paint the Town Hall; raise and appropriate money for the same.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-sixth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-five.

NELSON E. BARKER,
WALTER A. SCAMMAN,
LESLIE C. SCAMMON,

Selectmen of Stratham, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

NELSON E. BARKER,
WALTER A. SCAMMAN,
LESLIE C. SCAMMON,

Selectmen of Stratham, N. H.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945 Compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year February 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1944	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1945	Incr.	Decr.
From State:				
Interest and Dividends Tax	$400.58	$400.58		
Railroad Tax	38.94	38.94		
Savings Bank Tax	166.91	166.91		
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands		84.43	84.43	
For Fighting Forest Fires	42.90			42.90
From Local Sources Except Taxes:				
Business Licenses and Permits	2.00			2.00
Fines and Forfeits, Municipal Court	2.48	2.48		
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	110.00	110.00		
Int. Rec'd. on Taxes and Deposits	60.25	60.25		
Income from Trust Funds		11.31	11.31	
Income of Departments: Highway, including rental of equipment	47.00	100.00	53.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	667.25	650.00		17.25
Cash Surplus	1,663.87	1,962.68	298.81	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:				
Poll Taxes—Regular @ $2	598.00	598.00		
National Bank Stock Taxes	2.97	2.97		
Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes	$3,803.15	$4,188.55	$447.55	$62.15
Amount To Be Raised By Property Taxes		16,731.66		
Total Revenues		$20,920.21		

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1944	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1945	Incr.	Decr.
Current Maintenance Expenses:				
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries	$820.07	$800.00		$20.07
Town Officers' Expenses	309.40	350.00	40.60	
Election and Reg. Expenses	150.00			150.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	420.18	400.00		20.18
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department	39.00	39.00		
Fire Department	462.95	300.00		162.95
Health:				
Health Dept., incl. hospitals	4.00	10.00	6.00	
Vital Statistics	22.60	22.60		
Highways and Bridges:				
Town Maintenance: Summer	2,337.08	2,500.00	162.92	
Town Maintenance: Winter	1,069.62	2,000.00	930.38	
Libraries:				
Libraries:	195.95	200.00	4.05	
Public Welfare:				
Town Poor	478.30	550.00	71.70	
Old Age Assistance	629.26	800.00	170.74	
Recreation:				
Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts	37.98	25.00		12.98
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemeteries	105.00	100.00		5.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	10.00			10.00
Interest:				
On Temporary Loans	6.25	6.25		
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:				
County Taxes	2,394.94	2,394.94		
Payments to School Districts	11,333.90	10,422.42		911.48
Total Expenditures	$20,826.48	$20,920.21	$1386.39	$1292.66

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF STRATHAM

IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1944

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

NELSON E. BARKER,
WALTER A. SCAMMAN
LESLIE C. SCAMMON
Selectmen

FRANK H. PEARSON,
Treasurer

February 1, 1945

Town of STRATHAM BALANCE

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer	$3,146.28	
Unredeemed Taxes:		
(a) Levy of 1943	3.54	
(b) Levy of 1942	3.78	
(c) Levy of 1941	3.76	
(d) Previous Years	3.36	
Uncollected Taxes:		
(a) Levy of 1944	1,536.91	
Grand Total		$4,697.63
Surplus, January 31, 1944	$1,663.87	
Surplus, December 31, 1944	$1,962.68	
Increase of Surplus	$298.81	

SHEET December 31, 1944

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Bills outstanding	$250.00	
P. Wiggin, Cemetery Fund	60.15	
Special $3.00 Poll Taxes:		
(a) Uncollected—due State	123.00	
(b) Collected—not remitted	21.00	
Due to School Districts:		
(a) Dog licenses	308.38	
(b) Balance of Appropriation	1,867.00	
State and Town Joint Highway Construction Accounts:		
(a) Unexpended balance in Town Treasury	105.42	
Total Liabilities		$2,734.95
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		1,962.68
Grand Total		$4,697.63

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Total taxes committed to collector, 1944	$20,510.09		
Added taxes	105.00		
Less Discounts and abatements, 1944	129.45		
Less uncollected, 1944	1,536.91		
Property Taxes, Current Year, actually collected		$17,390.76	
Poll Taxes, Current Year, Regular @ $2, actually collected		598.00	
Poll Taxes, Current Year, Special @$3, actually collected		957.00	
National Bank Stock taxes		2.97	
Total of Current Year's collections			$18,948.73
Property and Poll taxes, Previous Years actually collected			1,298.55
Tax sales redeemed			33.34

From State:

For Highways and Bridges State Aid Construction	105.42
Interest and Dividend tax	400.58
Railroad tax	38.94
Savings Bank tax	166.91
Fighting Forest Fires John F. Emery (Sherbuck Fire)	42.90

CLASSIFICATION

PAYMENTS For the Year Ended December 31, 1944

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
Town officers' salaries		$820.07
Town officers' expenses		309.40
Election and registration expenses		150.00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings		420.18
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police department, including care of tramps		39.00
Fire department, including forest fires		462.95
Damage by dogs		11.25
Health:		
Health department, including hospitals		4.00
Vital statistics		22.60
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance:		
Summer	$2,337.08	
Winter	1,069.62	
		3,406.70
Libraries:		
Libraries		195.95
Public Welfare:		
Old age assistance		629.26
Town poor		478.30
Recreation:		
Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts		37.98
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries, including hearse hire		105.00

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:	
Dog Licenses	319.63
Filing Fee	2.00
Fines and Forfeits, municipal court	2.48
Rent of Town Property	110.00
Interest received on taxes	60 25
Income from Highway Department	47.00
Registration of Motor Vehicles, 1944-45 permits	667.25
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	1,500.00
Trust funds	450.00
Total Receipts From All Sources	$24,208.98
Cash on hand February 1, 1944	2,838.67
GRAND TOTAL	$27,047.65

Unclassified:		
Damages and legal expenses	10.00	
Taxes bought by town	3.54	
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	70.00	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		$7,176.18
Interest:		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	6.25	
Total Interest Payments		6.25
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:		
Highway and Bridges—State Aid Construction	105.42	
Total Outlay Payments		105.42
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	1,500.00	
Payments to trustees, trust funds	450.00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		1,950.00
Payments to other Govermental Divisions:		
Special Poll Taxes @ $3 paid to State	932.58	
Taxes paid to County	2,394.94	
Payments to School Districts	11,333.90	
Withholding tax	2.10	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		$14,663.52
Total Payments for all Purposes		$23,901.37
Cash on Hand December 31, 1944		3,146.28
GRAND TOTAL		$27,047.65

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	$8,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	400.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	8,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Police Department, equipment	100.00
Highway Department, equipment	3,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	3,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	4,000.00
Equipment	2,000.00
TOTAL	$29,000.00

INVENTORY

Land and Buildings	$593, 960.00
Electric Plants	12,600.00
Horses, 107	11,425.00
Asses and Mules, 2	300.00
Ponies, 7	275.00
Cows, 589	57,785.00
Other Neat Stock, 62	4,295.00
Fowls, 17,539	21,414.00
Tractor, 38	12,825.00
Growing Wood and Timber	12,190.00
Portable Mill, 1	500.00
Boats, 1	150.00
Lumber	24,686.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	1,110.00
Stock in Trade	3,500.00
Mills and Machinery	1,900.00
Soldiers Exemptions	4,000.00
	$754,915.00

Amount of Taxes to be committed to Tax Collector, including poll taxes, Special $3.00 Poll Taxes and National Bank Stock taxes	$20,510.09

Rate of Taxation $2.50

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officers Salaries	$800.00	
Town Officers Expenses	350.00	
Town Hall	400.00	
Fire Department	300.00	
Police Department	39.00	
Vital Statistics	22.60	
Winter Roads	2,000.00	
Summer Roads	2,500.00	
Seacoast Regional	52.00	
Library	200.00	
Town Poor	550.00	
Old Age Assistance	800.00	
Parks & Playgrounds	25.00	
Cemetaries	100.00	
County Tax	2,394.94	
Health Department, including Hospitals	10.00	
		$10,543.54

W. LESLIE DINING
RUSSELL A. GRANTON
HILDA G. BARKER
NELSON E. BARKER
JOHN F. EMERY
LESLIE C. SCAMMON
WALTER A. SCAMMAN

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

SUMMARY OF TAX WARRANT

Levy of 1944

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector			
Property Taxes	$18,752.09		
Poll Taxes— 339 Reg. @ $2.00	678.00		
Poll Taxes— 359 Spec. @ $3.00	1,077.00		
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes	3.00		
		$20,510.09	
Added Taxes			
Property Taxes	$90.00		
Poll Taxes— 3 Reg. @ $2.00	6.00		
Poll Taxes— 3 Spec. @ $3.00	9.00		
		105.00	
Interest Collected		$2.83	
Extra Charges Collected on Poll Taxes		.40	
			$20,618.32

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer			
Property Taxes	$17,390.76		
Interest and Charges Collected	3.23		
Poll Taxes— 299 Reg. @ $2.00	598.00		
Poll Taxes— 319 Spec. @ $3.00	957.00		
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes	2.97		
		$18,951.96	
Discounts allowed on Prop. Taxes		117.45	
Abatements by Selectmen		12.00	
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list			
Property Taxes	$1,333.91		
Poll Taxes — 40 Reg. @ $2.00	80.00		
Poll Taxes — 41 Spec. @ $3.00	123.00		
		$1,536.91	
			$20,618.32

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Levy of 1943

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of February 1, 1944	$1,302.55
Added poll taxes	4.00

Int. collected during fiscal year ended December 31, 1944	49.62	
Extra charges collected on poll taxes	7.40	
Total Debits		$1,363.57
CR.		
Total remittances to Treasurer during fiscal year ended December 31, 1944	$1,355.57	
Abatements by Selectmen	8.00	
Total Credits		$1,363.57

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1944

DR.

	Tax Sale on account of Levy of:			
	1943	1942	1941	1940
Taxes Sold to Town:				
Previous to Jan. 31, 1944		$35.21	$3.76	$3.36
Since Jan. 31, 1944	$3.54			
Int. Collected after Sale	0.00	1.45	0.00	0.00
Notices to Mortgagees	0.00	.71	0.00	0.00
Total Debits	$3.54	$37.37	$3.76	$3.36
CR.				
Remittances to Treasurer during year	$0.00	$33.34	$0.00	$0.00
Fees paid to Register of Deeds	0.00	.25	0.00	0.00
Unredeemed Taxes— at close of year	3.54	3.78	3.76	3.36
Total Credits	$3.54	$37.37	$3.76	$3.36

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES
ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES OF:

	1943	1942	1941	1940
Heirs of James Odell	$3.54	$3.78	$3 76	$3.36

Stratham, N. H., January 9, 1945

We have this day examined the accounts of Ralph D. Parkman, Tax Collector, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched, with an uncollected balance of ($1,536.91) one thousand five hundred thirty-six dollars and ninety-one cents.

GLADYS A. CHAPMAN,

EDWIN A. TANNER,

Auditors.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH D. PARKMAN,

Tax Collector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

ACCOUNT OF TOWN CLERK
MARY R. TUCK

In Relation To Dog Licenses For The Year Ending
December 31, 1944

Number of Dogs submitted, 125

Number of Males	97
Number of Females	28
	125

Mary R. Tuck's Discharge:

No. of Male Dogs Licensed, 95 @$2.00	$190.00
1 @ 1.50, ¾ of 1 year	1.50
1 @ 1.33, 2-3 of 1 year	1.33
Number of Female Dogs Licensed, 28 @ 5.00	140.00
20 Fines @ .50	10.00
1943, 1 Male @ 2.00	2.00
	$344.83
Less Clerk's Fees	25.20
	$319.63

Paid To Treasurer $319.63

Stratham, N. H., January 9, 1945

We have this day examined the accounts of Mary R. Tuck in relation to Dog Licenses issued by her and find them properly vouched and correctly cast and that she has paid town treasurer, Frank H. Pearson, the sum of Three Hundred and Nineteen Dollars and Sixty-three Cents (319.63).

GLADYS A. CHAPMAN,

EDWIN A. TANNER,

Auditors

Stratham, N. H., January 9, 1945

We have this day examined the accounts of Mary R. Tuck in relation to auto permits and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and that she has collected and paid to Frank H. Pearson, Town Treasurer, the sum of Six Hundred and Sixty-seven Dollars and Twenty-five Cents (667.25).

GLADYS A. CHAPMAN,

EDWIN A. TANNER,

Auditors

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand February 1, 1944	$2,838.67
Ralph D. Parkman:	
Redemption of tax sales	33.34
1943 taxes	1,355.57
1944 taxes	18,951.96
Mary R. Tuck:	
Auto permits	667.25
Dog licenses	319.63
State Treasurer:	
Savings Bank Tax	166.91
Railroad Tax	38.94
Interest & Dividends Tax	400.58
Refund, T. R. A.	105.42
Newmarket National Bank, note	1,500.00
Cemetery Trust Funds:	
Mrs. Charles Clark	200.00
Howard M. Wiggin	150.00
Mrs. Nellie S. Barker	100.00
John F. Emery, Sherbuck fire	42.90
J. Lamson Emery, rent of Town Hall	110.00
Douglas C. Sewall, snow blade	15.00
Mrs. Phoebe Alexander, cemetery lot	15.00
Mary R. Tuck, gravel	12.00
Mary R. Tuck, filing fee	2.00
Gladys Chapman, unexpended balance of Library fines	2.48
Levi Barker, Road Agent	14.00
Ernest T. Wiggin, Road Agent	6.00
	$27,047.65

Paid on Selectman's Orders	$23,901.37	
Balance on hand	3,146.28	
		$27,047.65

Stratham, N. H., January 12, 1945

We have this day examined the accounts of Frank H. Pearson, Town Treasurer, for the year ending December 31, 1944 and find that he has charged himself with receiving twenty-four thousand two hundred and eight dollars and ninety-eight cents and has paid on Selectmen's orders twenty-three thousand nine hundred one dollars and thirty-seven cents, leaving a balance of three thousand one hundred forty-six dollars and twenty-eight cents.

GLADYS A. CHAPMAN,

EDWIN A. TANNER,

Auditors

DETAILED EXPENDITURES

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Nelson E. Barker, Selectman	$ 200.00	
Walter A. Scamman, Selectman	100.00	
Leslie C. Scammon, Selectman	100.00	
Frank H. Pearson, Treasurer	75.00	
Ralph D. Parkman, Tax Collector	203.07	
Mary R. Tuck, Town Clerk	122.00	
Gladys Chapman, Auditor	10.00	
Edwin A. Tanner, Auditor	10.00	
		$820.07

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Nelson E. Barker	$17.00	
Walter A. Scamman	8 00	
Ralph D. Parkman	24.28	
Frank H. Pearson, Bonds & Postage	69.50	
Mary R. Tuck	14.75	
Gladys Chapman	1.08	
Association of N. H.Assessors	2.00	
Hampton Publishing Co.	150.00	
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	12.80	
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	1.49	
Batchelder Book Store, Flags	7.50	
Exeter News Letter Co., notice	1.00	
		$309.40

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Bertha Parks	$9.00	
Nellie Fisk	9.00	
Myrtle Dining	9.00	
Vida Barker	3.00	
Mildred Parker	6.00	
George C. Jewell	9.00	
Helen Gowen	15.00	
Levi H. Barker	30.00	
Clifford A. Sharp	30.00	
Arnold Whittaker, Jr.	30.00	
		$150.00

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

John L. Emery, janitor & supplies	$163.45	
Frank W. Tuck, supplies	3.05	
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.	35.08	
Robert H. Filion, coal	47.45	
Mutual Studios, flameproof stage	90.00	
Malvin A. Wells, wood	9.00	
A. E. McReel Co. Inc., coal	24.15	
R. M. Daughenbaugh, wood	48.00	
		$420.18

POLICE DEPARTMENT

L. Russell Chapman	$39.00	
		$39.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

J. Fred Emery	$25.80	
Exeter Fire Department	416.60	
North Hampton Fire Department	10.55	
Portsmouth Fire Department	10.00	
		$462.95

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

L. Russell Chapman	$4.00	
		$4.00

VITAL STATISTICS

Mary R. Tuck	$16.00	
Frank B. Nay	.40	
John W. Green	6.20	
		$22.60

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Ernest T. Wiggin, Winter Roads	$1,069.62	
Ernest T. Wiggin, Summer Roads	2337.08	
		$3406.70

LIBRARY

Gladys Chapman	$100.00	
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.	12.84	
Frank H. Pearson, Insurance	24.61	
Malvin A. Wells, wood	58.50	
		$195.95

TOWN POOR

Rockingham County Home And Hospital	$478.30	
		$478.30

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State of New Hampshire	$629.26	
		$629.26

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Frank H. Pearson, Insurance	$6.00	
Exeter Lumber Company	2.08	
Geo. P. & R. C. Kimball	14.90	
George C. Jewell	5.00	
Ernest T. Wiggin	10.00	
		$37.98

CEMETERIES

John L. Emery	$100.00	
Exeter Fire Department	5.00	
		$105.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Damage By Dogs	$11.25	
Robert S. Berry, Chairman Trust Funds	450.00	
Taxes Bought	3.54	
Abatements & Refunded	70.00	
Interest	6.25	
State of New Hampshire, State Aid Construction	105.42	
Note in Anticipation of Taxes	1,500.00	
School District of Stratham	11,333.90	
County Tax	2,394.94	
Special Poll Tax	932.58	
Witholding Tax	2.10	
Legal Advice	10.00	
		$16,819.98
Total Payments		$23,901.37

TOWN HALL

REPORT OF J. LAMSON EMERY, JANITOR

January 31, 1944 to December 31, 1944

RECEIPTS

Entertainments	$20.00
Grange Fair	4.00
Lower Hall	12.00
Dances	35.00
Winnicut Grange, Rent of Town Hall	39.00

Balance paid Frank Pearson, Treasurer $110.00

FREE MEETINGS

1 Town Meeting (Upper Hall)
1 Election (Upper Hall)
1 Primary (Upper Hall)
1 Christmas Party, Three Schools, (Upper Hall)
10 Meetings — Home Nursing Course (Lower Hall)
1 P.T.A. Card Party — Benefit USO (Lower Hall)

HIGHWAY AGENT

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

ERNEST T. WIGGIN

Ernest T. Wiggin, Highway Agent	$601.69
Barker Brothers, trucking	408.13
Earl L. Wiggin, trucking & labor	86.23
Ralph Daughenbaugh, trucking	159.00
George Jewell, labor	49.50
Herman Norton, loader	132.13
Frank W. Tuck, gas, oil, etc.	30.27
Daniel Hodgdon, labor	40.40
Ernest T. Wiggin, Jr., labor	48.75
Francis F. Wiggin, labor	43.30
Richard H. Wiggin, labor	20.00
Earl L. Wiggin, Jr., labor	3.50
Gordon H. Fisk, labor	24.40
Gilbert M. Graves, labor	24.20
Alan N. Graves, labor	47.00
Norris Chapman, labor	36.85
Robert Rogers, labor	36.60
Perley J. Wells, labor	48.70
Edward Cooper, labor	2.40
Thomas McGlew, welding	65.20
James L. Welch, generator repair	6.90
Robert Wiggin, labor	9.00
H. Roby Jewell, labor 2 men	16.80
Frank H. Pearson, insurance	13.80
W. A. Young, hardware	6.00
R. G. Watkins, bulldozer	111.04
Walter Scamman, trucking	25.20
Charles R. Brown, trucking	24.00
Frederick Doherty, labor	5.60
Carl D. Stockbridge, grease, oil, etc.	7.75

State Highway Garage, repair of snowplow	45.37	
Charles Summerfield, welding	1.50	
William Fisk, labor	1.40	
American Tar Co., tar	779.72	
R. C. Hazelton & Co., tractor repair	63.90	
Total		$3,026.23
Received from Treasurer		$3,026.23
Total Checks Drawn		$3,026.23

We find the above accounts correctly cast, properly vouched and in balance.

GLADYS CHAPMAN,
EDWIN A. TANNER,
Auditors.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT
LEVI H. BARKER

Levi H. Barker, Highway Agent	$198.50	
Earl L. Wiggin, truck	141.80	
Earl L. Wiggin, Jr., labor	15.60	
George C. Jewell, labor	6.00	
Ralph M. Daughenbaugh, labor	4.80	
Donald L. Barker, labor	6.00	
Frank W. Tuck, gas	5.17	
Carl D. Stockbridge, oil, & repairs	2.60	
Total		$380.47
Received from Treasurer		$380.47
Total Checks Drawn		$380.47

We find above accounts correctly cast, properly vouched and in balance.

GLADYS CHAPMAN,
EDWIN A. TANNER,
Auditors.

Trust Funds

TOWN OF STRATHAM

For Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1944

CERTIFICATE

This to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Dated — January 10, 1945

ROBERT S. BERRY,
MARSHALL S. CHASE,
W. DOUGLAS SCAMMAN,
Trustees.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, DECEMBER 31, 1944

Date of Creation	TRUST FUND — PURPOSE OF CREATION	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand
	Amanda Lane Library Fund	Portsmouth Savings Bank	700.00	2	$00.00	$14.07	$14.07	$00.00
	Andrew Wiggin, in care of Cemetery Lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	100.00	2	00.00	1.99	00.00	1.99
	James W. Foss, care of Cemetery Lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	75.00	2	1.69	1.53	00.00	3.22
	Sarah Downes, care of Cemetery Lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	50.00	2	00.00	.99	.99	00.00
Apr. 18, 1919	Frank P. Leavitt, care of Cemetery Lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	100.00	2	9.15	2.19	5.00	6.34
Oct. 30, 1920	Elizabeth Wood, care of Cemetery Lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	150.00	2	39.40	3.80	5.00	38.20
Jan. 14, 1922	John Scammon, care of lot in Upper Cemetery in which John Scammon and John J. Scammon are buried,	Portsmouth Savings Bank	100.00	2	18.76	2.37	5.00	16.13
Jan. 28, 1924	Mary J. Roberts, care of Cemetery Lot	Piscataqua Savings Bank	100.00	2	.75	2.01	00.00	2.76
Jan. 28, 1924	Mary J. Roberts, Library Fund	Piscataqua Savings Bank	200.00	2	00.00	4.02	4.02	00.00
Nov. 11 1925	Edmund B. Lane, Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1000.00	2	00.00	22.50	22.50	00.00
Aug 28, 1928	George L. Barker, care of lot in Lower Cemetery in which Levi and George Barker are buried,	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	2	40.38	5.43	5.00	40.81
Apr. 30, 1930	George W. Dixon, Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1000.00	2	00.00	22.50	22.50	00.00
July 1, 1929	Elizabeth Baker, care of the Paine Wingate Lot in Upper Cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.54	2.26	2.00	.80

Feb. 11, 1930	Estate of M. Abbie Sanborn, care of Lot in Lower Cemetery in which Greenleaf C. Brown and Abigail Brown are buried.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	10.70	2.50	5.00	8.20
Feb. 24, 1931	Elizabeth H. Baker, care of the J. C. Wingate Lot in Upper Cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	2.24	2.31	2.00	2.55
Apr. 8, 1931	Laura A. Dixon, care of the Dixon Lot in Lower Cemetery.	Mechanics Savings Bank Manchester, N. H	200.00	2½	40.22	6.06	5.00	41.28
May 8, 1931	Mary Wiggin Towle, care of Cemetery on the Hiram Wiggin Farm in Stratham.	Mechanics Savings Bank Manchester, N. H.	200.00	2½	17.80	5.51	00.00	23.31
May 8, 1931	Mary Wiggin Towle Trust Fund, Interest to be paid to Mary F. Weeks, Westville, N. H., during her lifetime, at her death to go to Wiggin Library in Stratham.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	950.00	2	00.00	21.38	21.38	00.00
Aug. 16, 1932	Horace M. Hill Trust Fund for upkeep of Stratham Hill Park.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	500.00	2	00.00	11.31	11.31	00.00
Aug. 16, 1932	Horace M. Hill Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1000.00	2	00.00	22.50	22.50	00.00
Aug. 16, 1932	Horace M. Hill, Trust Fund, for removing rocks from Town roads.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	5.00	2	1.88	.14	00.00	2.02
Feb. 1, 1933	Elizabeth H. Baker, care of the Caroline Wingate Baker Lot in the Upper Cemetery.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50.00	2	28.68	6.30	5.00	29.98
	Estate of Fannie F. Baker, care of the Caroline Wingate Baker Lot	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00					
Jan. 14, 1934	Estate of Annie L. Harvey, care of the Annie Harvey Lot in the Upper Cemetery.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	3.61	2.33	3.00	2.94
July 3, 1936	Isabelle C. Wingate, care of the George Wingate Lot in the Cemetery near the Congregational Church in Stratham.	Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	2	9.82	4.20	5.00	9.02
Jan. 23, 1937	Estate of J. H. LeRoy, care of the J. H. LeRoy Lot in the Upper Cemetery,	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	2	13.51	2.27	00.00	15.78
Jan. 28, 1937	Heirs of Joseph T. Smart, care of the Joseph T. Smart Lot in the Upper Cemetery,	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	2	1.54	2.03	3.00	.57

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, DECEMBER 31, 1944

Date of Creation	TRUST FUND — PURPOSE OF CREATION	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand
Jan. 30, 1938	Edward Clapp, care of the Clapp Lot in the Lower Cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	.86	2.27	00.00	3.13
June 28, 1938	George H. Ellison, Trust Fund, care of cemetery lot.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	15.15	2.60	5.00	12.75
July 20, 1939	George Bowley, care of cemetery lot	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	11.57	2.51	00.00	14.08
Nov. 16, 1939	Hannah M. Barker, Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	10.64	2.50	5.00	8.14
June 6, 1944	Charles E. Clark, care of cemetery lot	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	2	00.00	2.00	2.00	00.00
Sept. 26, 1944	Albert P. Smith, care of cemetery lot	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2	00.00	.50	00.00	.50
Sept. 26, 1944	Nathaniel Wiggin, care of cemetery lot	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	2	00.00	.75	00.00	.75

We find above accounts correctly cast and properly vouched and with balance of two hundred eighty-five dollars and twenty-five cents ($285.25).

GLADYS A. CHAPMAN, EDWIN A. TANNAR, Auditors

WIGGIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Balance on hand February 1, 1944	$57.32	
Interest on:		
M. H. Hills, Library Fund	12.50	
E. B. Lane, Library Fund	12.50	
G. W. Dixon, Library Fund	12.50	
		$94.82
Paid:		
Goodman's Book Store	$27.85	
Balance on hand	66.97	
		$94.82

We find above accounts correctly cast, properly vouched and with a balance of Sixty-six Dollars and Ninety-seven Cents ($66.97).

GLADYS A. CHAPMAN,

EDWIN A. TANNER,

Auditors

BOOKS — 1944

Bailey, H. C. ..... The Cat's Whiskers
Bailey, Temple ..... Red Fruit
Baldwin, Faith ..... Change of Heart
Bassett, Sara Ware ..... Heart's Haven
Bates, H. E. ..... Fair Blows The Winds For France
Bloom, Vera ..... There's No Place Like Washington
Bowen, Catherine D. ..... Yankee From Olympus
Christie, Agatha ..... Toward Zero
Cote, Phyllis ..... Rabbit Go-Lucky
Cronin, A. J. ..... The Green Years
De La Roche, Mayo ..... The Building of Jalna
Drepperd, Carl W. ..... Primer of American Antiques
Gaither, Frances ..... The Red Cock Crows
Gardener, Earle Standley ..... The Case of the Crooked Candle
Goudge, Elizabeth ..... Green Dolphin Street
Graeham, Gwethalyn ..... Earth and High Heaven
Hersey, John ..... A Bell For Adano
Hill, Grace Livingstone ..... More Than Conqueror
Hope, Bob ..... I Never Left Home
Janeway, Elizabeth ..... The Walsh Girls
Kimbrough, Emily ..... How Dear to my Heart
Kuszmaul, Rose ..... Nobody's Children
Lindbergh, Anne Morrow ..... The Steep Ascent
Loring, Emilie ..... Keeper of the Faith
Maugham, W. Somerset ..... The Razor's Edge
Stafford, Muriel ..... X Marks The Dot
Steffanson, Evelyn ..... Here Is Alaska
St. John, Robert ..... It's Always Tomorrow
Stone, Irving ..... Immortal Wife
Stowe, Leland ..... They Shall Not Sleep
Strafford, Jean ..... The Boston Adventure

Treanor, Tom ..... One Damn Thing After Another
Warrick, LaMar ..... Yesterday's Children
Welles, Sumner ..... Time For Decision
Williams, Ben Ames ..... Leave Her To Heaven
Weygandt, Cornelius .... The Heart of New Hampshnre

PRESENTED BY MRS. GEORGE MOORE

Alcott, Louisa M. ..... Aunt Jo's Scrap Bag Volumes I - VI
Alcott, Louisa M. ..... Little Men
Alcott, Louisa M. ..... Old Fashioned Girl
Bailey, Arthur Scott ..... The Tale of Fatty Coon
Bailey, Arthur Scott ..... The Tale of Mistah Mule
Bailey, Arthur Scott ..... The Tale of Tommy Fox
Baldwin, James ..... Fifty Famous Stories Retold
Bone, Stephen and Adshead, Mary ..... The Little Boy And His House
Brandeis, Madeline ..... The Wee Scotch Piper
Browing, Robert ..... The Pied Piper of Hamelin
Bughee, Emma ..... Peggy Covers Washington
Burgess, Thornton ..... The Burgess Big Book of Green Meadow Stories
Camerlynck, Mme. & G. H. .... France, Premiere Annee de Francais
Callodi, C. ..... Pinocchio
Dickens, Charles ..... Oliver Twist
Dixon, Franklin W. ..... The Secret of the Old Mill
Dutton, Lewis ..... "Rags, M. D."
Harper, W. & Aymer, J. H. ..... Pleasant Pathways
Hope, Laura Lee ..... The Story of a White Horse
Hughes, Thomas ..... Tom Brown's School Days
Irving, Washington ..... Rip Van Winkle
Judson, Harry Pratt ..... The Young American
Jum, Caroline Silver ..... Fifty Indian Legends

Kilty, Mary G. ..... The Beginning of the American People and Nation
Knowlton, Philip A. ..... First Lesson in Geography
Kyne, Peter B. ..... Lord of Lonely Valley
Lagereof, Selma .... The Wonderful Adventure of Nils
MacDonald, George .... At the Back of the North Wind
MacDonald, George ..... The Princess and the Goblin
May Sophie ..... Little Prudy's Cousin Sue
Mohr, Louise M. ..... Palestine and Syria
Ouida ..... A Dog of Flanders
Patch, Edith & Howe, Harrison . Through Four Seasons
Perkins, Lucy Fitch ..... The Eskimo Twins
Perkins, Lucy Fitch ..... The Irish Twins
Salten, Felix ..... Bambi
Salten, Felix ..... Fifteen Rabbits
Sidney, Margaret ..... Five Little Peppers and How They Grew
Sidney, Margaret ..... Phronsie Pepper
Sims, P. Hal .... The Sims Summary of Money Contract
Smith, Lloyd Edwin ..... Story of Jesus
Spyri, Johanna ..... Mazli
Stevenson, Robert Louis ... A Child's Garden of Verses
Stewart, Jane L. . A Camp Fire Girl's Test of Friendship
Swift, Johnathan ..... Gulliver's Travels
Sutton, Margaret ..... The Mysterious Half Cat
Sutton, Margaret ..... The Voice in the Suit Case
Sutton, Margaret ..... Seven Strange Clues
Tarjeon, Eleanor .... Martin Pippin in the Daisy Field
Terhume, Albert Payson .. Dad, Mystery and Adventure

Total book circulation	1,338
Fiction	942
Non-Fiction	223
Juvenile	173

SCHOOL REPORT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Stratham qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the thirteenth day of March, 1945, at one o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.

8. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

9. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing year.

10. To see if the district will vote to pay for the transportation of all 7th and 8 th grade pupils after June 30, 1945 to either Protsmouth or Exeter and raise additional monies for same.

Given under our hands at said Stratham, this 23rd day of February, 1945.

HILDA G. BARKER,
R. E. FERGUSON,
B. C. WIGGIN,

School Board of Stratham, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HILDA G. BARKER,
R. E. FERGUSON,
B. C. WIGGIN,

School Board of Stratham, N. H.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board of Stratham, New Hampshire:

I take pleasure in submitting my annual report as Superintendent of Schools, the twenty-sixth in the series.

Your decision at the last annual district meeting to reopen the Plains School, and to place grades three and four there, has brought the expected relief in other schools, making possible a more practical and comfortable arrangement of seats and enabling the teachers in all the schools to do more efficient work. I believe that now your schools are organized in the best possible way until such time as the district may vote to build a central school, a step which is even more necessary now than in the days when this question was first discussed. As evidence of this, each year there is a smaller number of teachers who are willing to work in schools where there are only stoves for heating, earth closets for toilets and no running water. Nowadays it is increasingly difficult to secure teachers even when salaries and teaching conditions meet modern requirements. The district is providing very fair salaries now and, when a central school becomes a reality, will compete successfully with any New Hampshire rural school district in securing competent teachers. It is fair, also, to assume that better heat, light and other improved facilities such as flush toilets and telephone would be appreciated by all parents as well as by teachers and pupils. What could be a better postwar undertaking for Stratham than a central school? I suggest the appointment of a committee to look into this matter and furnish a report well in advance of the next annual meeting.

The district is fortunate in having experienced, competent teachers—Miss Crane, of such long and successful service, and Miss Nichols and Mrs. Morse who adapt themselves so easily and successfully to the needs of our system. They are all devoted to their work and are producing good results not only in teaching skills in reading, arithmetic and other subjects but are also training good youthful citizens who will grow up to be intelligent and useful adult members of the community.

The health interests of our schools are carefully looked after by Mrs. Sheehy, as usual. A summary of her weekly work is contained in her report, presented herewith. Her work is invaluable.

Stratham was fortunate in retaining the services of Mr. Emery, our janitor, for this year and, when the Plains School was opened, in securing the services of Mr. Wentworth. Both men take pride in doing good work and are willing to use extra time and effort when it is needed.

I commend to your attention the usual tables which accompany this report. It will be noted in Table III that last year's enrollment in the local schools was the largest in ten years. I find, on consulting earlier reports that it is the largest since I first knew the schools in 1919. It will be noted in table VI that Stratham's expenditure per $1,000 of equalized valuation is not far from the average of such expenditures in this Union.

My report would not be complete without saying that the Parent-Teacher Association, that veteran friend of our schools, is continuing its good work. It now contains a number of parents who were former Stratham teachers, whose interest has increased with the years and

whose activities are of great benefit to our present teachers and pupils.

I conclude my report with the following paragraph which is likewise a part of my report to each of the districts of this Union:

In thinking of the war and its effect on the pupils of all our schools we may note that, as yet, we have had little curtailment of material equipment but that some commodity prices have risen as, for instance, that of fuel. It is likely that a year or two more of war will bring shortages of paper and other supplies, including textbooks. Increased salaries in all the districts of the Union have aided in securing teachers but the supply of teachers grows ever smaller as the lure of higher salaries draws them away to other occupations. General pupil interest in school work was never greater, especially in geography, mathematics and science. We are apparently rapidly approaching life in a new kind of geographical and social world. As adults we note this fact, perhaps that all our pupils are learning it in a natural way from with something of a shock. We may be sure, however, our schools, from the radio and newspapers. Their present gradual approach to this new world will make it all seem natural to them in maturity. It is for us, school officers, parents, voting citizens to provide for them the best possible teachers in efficient, up-to-date plants, teaching a modern course of study. So will they be best trained to be good citizens in the changed world in which they must live.

It is a pleasure once more to record the thanks of all those who work daily in the schools for the generous

cooperation of the School Board and all interested citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

Clifton A. Towle

Superintendent of

Supervisory Union No. 16

Exeter, New Hampshire

January 29, 1945

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the School Board of Stratham, N. H.

Following are the health activities carried on in the Stratham schools from January 1, 1944 to January 1, 1945.

Most of the follow-up work and corrective work for the 1943 physical examinations was done during the winter and spring terms of 1944.

A dental clinic, which was sponsored by the P.T.A., was held in Dr. Winkler's office in Exeter. Twenty-nine children received complete dental treatment at the clinic. Twenty-one children received dental treatment from their family dentist.

Four children had tonsillectomies performed.

Five children had eyes examined and vision corrected.

The audiometer was used to test the hearing of the children in Miss Crane's school. No serious defects were found.

No. of children examined in fall of 1944	93
No. found to have defective vision	7
No. found to have defective teeth	43
No. found to have defective tonsils	10

All children are weighed and measured during the fall, winter and spring terms.

There were four cases of scarlet fever reported during the fall term of 1944.

Cod-liver oil is given in the schools to all children who are in need of it.

Many children are having milk in the schools.

Many children are having a hot dish at noon.

Twenty-four visits were made to the schools.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank our Superintendent, Mr. Towle, the School Board, the teachers, the parents, the Parent-Teacher Association, and the Red Cross for their cooperation and wonderful help with my work.

Respectfully submitted,

Eloise B. Sheehy, R. N.

Newfields, N. H.
January 21, 1945

TABLE I

STRATHAM PUPILS
TOTAL ENROLLMENT JANUARY 1, 1945

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Ridge School	0	0	0	0	10	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
Plains School	0	0	14	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26
Stratham Hill School	15	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Portsmouth	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	5
Exeter	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	5	5	4	1	25
Robinson Seminary	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	4	7	3	4	2	26
St. Michael's	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
	15	13	14	12	10	9	13	10	12	9	9	5	131

TABLE II

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1944

School	Weeks in Year	Boys	Girls	Total Pupils	Ave. Attend.	Ave. Absence	Ave. Membership	Percent of Attend.	Tardiness	Visits of Supt.	Visits of Others
Stratham Hill	38	21	27	41	37.18	3.76	40.94	91	8	30	41
Ridge	38	21	20	48	32.16	1.65	33.81	95	3	27	33
Totals	38	42	47	89	69.34	5.41	74.75	93	11	57	74

TABLE III

STRATHAM SCHOOLS
STATISTICS FOR TEN YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1944

School Year	Weeks	Girls	Boys	Total Pupils	Ave. Attend.	Ave. Absence	Ave. Membership	Percent of Attend.	Cases Tardiness	Visits of Supt.	Visits of Others	Ave. Salary
1934-35	37	39	46	85	65.85	4.92	70.77	93.02	82	91	261	850.00
1935-36	**37**	**39**	**37**	**76**	**58.17**	**2.35**	**60.52**	**96.00**	**29**	**105**	**346**	**912.50**
1936-37	37	28	26	54	50.48	2.60	53.08	95.10	36	93	347	890.00
1937-38	37	41	35	76	62.22	3.10	65.32	95.35	2	87	266	975.00
1938-39	38	37	32	69	58.88	3.61	62.49	94.00	4	71	111	975.00
1939-40	38	33	29	62	52.24	2.57	54.81	96.00	24	56	110	1000.00
1940-41	37	36	41	77	60.62	4.20	64.82	94.00	7	72	65	975.00
1941-42	37	38	44	82	65.46	3.84	69.30	94.95	6	74	40	1000.00
1942-43	38	46	37	83	69.21	6.24	75.45	92.00	23	51	93	1050.00
1943-44	38	47	42	89	69.34	5.41	74.75	93.00	11	57	74	1125.00

TABLE IV

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

UNION NO. 16

SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1944

District	No. of Pupils	Weeks in Year	Days No School	Days of School	Per Pupil Cost	Ave. Sal. of Teachers	District's Share of Supt.'s Salary	Per Capita Tax	Per Cent Attend.	Received State Aid
East Kingston	58	38	14	176	$1175.00	$69.00	$128.00	97	$1493.25
Exeter	654	38	15	175	1250.00	1620.00	1450.00	93	
Greenland	162	36	10	170	1312.00	117.00	346.00	94	3304.85
Kensington	48	38	13	177	1125.00	81.00	118.00	94	1159.85
Newfields	42	37	16	174	1000.00	75.00	158.00	94	1278.00
Stratham	89	38	14	176	1125.00	138.00	310.00	93	2121.58

TABLE V

COST OF EDUCATION IN STRATHAM

PER $1000 OF EQUALIZATION

JULY 1, 1933 — JUNE 30, 1943

DISTRICT NO. 1 HAD LOWEST COST

DISTRICT NO. 241 HAD HIGHEST COST

Stratham's Place in 241 Dists.	Year	Local Dist. Cost	State Aid	Total El. Cost	High School Cost	Other Current Cost	Total Current Cost	Equalized Valuation
165	1933-34	7.37	1.59	8.96	2.35	.65	11.96	798898.
150	1934-35	7.29	2.00	9.29	2.73	.68	12.70	778193.
150	1935-36	7.38	2.33	9.71	2.47	.67	12.85	778193.
140	1936-37	7.61	1.27	8.88	2.86	.68	12.42	786129.
150	1937-38	7.67	2.16	9.83	2.54	.65	13.02	786129.
131	1938-39	7.39	1.51	8.90	2.88	.63	12.41	750956.
121	1939-40	7.39	1.78	9.17	2.30	.68	12.15	750956.
122	1940-41	7.66	2.18	9.84	2.35	.63	12.82	738838.
158	1941-42	8.66	2.53	11.39	2.94	.74	15.07	738838.
142	1942-43	8.20	2.46	10.66	2.91	.64	14.21	766051.

TABLE VI

COST OF EDUCATION IN UNION NO. 16 PER $1000 OF EQUALIZED VALUATION SCHOOL YEAR 1941-1942 COMPARED WITH THAT OF MONROE AND ALSTEAD (THE LOWEST AND HIGHEST IN NEW HAMPSHIRE)

Place of District In 238	District	Local District Cost	State Aid	Total El. Cost	High School Cost	Other Current Cost	Total Cost	Equalized Valuation
No. 1	Monroe	$1.65	$.00	$1.65	$.42	$.78	$2.85	$9130521.
No. 21	Exeter	3.85	.00	3.85	2.67	.67	7.19	8842487.
No. 3	Kensington	6.04	2.01	8.65	3.65	.71	13.01	444723.
No. 115	Newfields	6.48	3.05	9.53	2.47	1.04	13.04	418811.
No. 142	Stratham	8.20	2.46	10.66	2.91	.64	14.21	766051.
No. 183	E. Kingston	6.14	3.93	10.07	5.45	1.20	16.72	379671.
No. 219	Greenland	8.40	5.12	13.52	4.19	1.95	19.66	646029.
No. 240	Alstead	9.87	5.33	15.20	13.33	2.29	30.82	843217.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand June 30th 1943	$158.32
Received from Selectmen:	
Appropriation	10,113.12
Dog Tax	220.78
Received from State Treasurer	2,121.58
	$12,613.80
Less School Board Orders Paid	11,555.88
Balance on hand as of June 30th 1944	$1,057.92

DETAILED EXPENSES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT

Salaries of District Officers:

Alice S. Jewell, Auditor	$1.50	
Frank H. Pearson, Clerk & Treas.	30.00	
Charles A. Parker, School Board	20.00	
Hilda G. Barker, School Board	16.00	
Bertha C. Wiggin, School Board	10.00	
		$77.50
Teachers		
Div. 1 Miss Edna M. Crane	$1,024.00	
Div. 2 Miss Anna Thurston	984.00	
Music, Miss Jean Beaton	150.00	
Collector off Internal Revenue	182.18	
		$2,340.18
Excess Salary of Superintendent		$138.00

Fuel

A. E. Beairsto	$41.00	
Harry Booker	203.00	
Chas. Grist, sawing	25.00	
		$269.00

Janitor Service

J. Lamson Emery		$200.00

Elementary Tuition

Exeter	$979.36	
Robinson Female Seminary	691.88	
		$1,671.24

High School Tuition

Portsmouth High	$320.00	
Tuck High	1,229.72	
Robinson Female Seminary	1,326.96	
		$2,876.68

Transportation

William Marshall, Jr.		$2,978.00

School Census	$10.00
Expense of Administration	69.59
Text Books	108.71
Scholars Supplies	72.92
Other Expenses of Instruction	14.54
Water, Light & Janitor Supplies	83.62
Minor Repairs & Expenses	158.33
Medical Inspection	150.00
Other Special Activities	4.20

Other Fixed Charges	310.00	
New Equipment	23.37	
		$1,005.28

July 14, 1944

I have this day examined the school account of F. H. Pearson, Treasurer, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched with a balance of one thousand fifty-seven dollars and ninety-two cents ($1,057.92).

Alice S. Jewell, Auditor

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1944 - 1945

DETAILED STATE OF EXPENDITURES

Support of Schools

Teachers' Salaries	$3,725.00	
Text Books	100.00	
Scholars' Supplies	90.00	
Flags and Appurtenances	10.00	
Janitor Service	300.00	
Fuel	400.00	
Water, Light, Janitors' Supplies	175.00	
Minor Repairs and Expenses	200.00	
Health Supervision	150.00	
Transportation of Pupils	2,800.00	
Payment of Elementary Tuitions	1,428.00	
		$9,378.00

Other Statutory Requirements

Salaries of Dist. Officers	$100.00	
Truant Officer & School Census	10.00	
Payment of Tuition in High Schools and Academies	3,210.00	
Superintendent's Excess Salary	139.00	
Per Capita Tax	314.00	
		$3,773.00

Total Amount Required To Meet School Board's Budget	$13,151.00

ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT

Balance June 30, 1945	$300.00	
State Aid	2,121.58	
Dog Tax	308.00	
Deduct Total Estimated Income		$2,729.58
Assessment Required To Balance School Board's Budget		$10,422.42
Total Assessment Required To Cover Budget and Appropriations		$10,422.42

Stratham, N. H., Feb. 23, 1945

HILDA G. BARKER,
R. E. FERGUSON,
B. C. WIGGIN,

School Board

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1944						
Jan. 22	Exeter, N. H.	Gail Margaret Stevens	Albert H. Stevens	Helen Susan Sewall	Newmarket, N. H.	Newmarket, N. H.
Feb. 22	Kittery, Me.	Ronalee Jean Smith	Robert L. Smith	Elva Mae Sehmel	Franklin, Ind.	Puyallup, Wash.
July 11	Exeter, N. H.	John Henry McNally	Everett W. McNally	Beatrice Irene Kerr	Beverly, Mass.	Lewiston, Me.
July 29	Exeter, N. H.	John Francis Young	Bernard E. Young	Freida D. Wentworth	Tyngsboro, Mass	Stratham, N. H.
Aug. 2	Exeter, N. H.	Eileen Jayne Spencer	Irving E. Spencer	Gladys A. Pettingall	Acworth, N. H.	Haverhill, Mass.
Aug. 2	Exeter, N. H.	Edward Paul Mahon	William E. Mahon	Annette L. Arbic	Boston, Mass.	Ontario, Canada
Sept. 2	Exeter, N. H.	Richard Eugene Purington	Leonard G. Purington	Pearl Esther Bouchard	W. Epping, N. H.	Brentwood, N. H.
Sept. 7	Exeter, N. H.	Thomas Tilton Wiggin	Ernest T. Wiggin	Eleanor Wilson Fisk	N. Hampton	Raymond, N. H.
Sept. 8	Exeter, N. H.	Baby Girl Allen	Howard F. Allen	Florence Allen	Everett, Mass.	Everett, Mass.
Sept. 9	Exeter, N. H.	Thomas Wesley Berry, Jr.	Thomas W. Berry	Priscilla J. Barnaby	Exeter, N. H.	Greenland, N. H.
Sept. 14	Exeter, N. H.	Richard Kenneth Hersey	Frederick L. Hersey, Jr.	Inez Eva Odell	Revere, Mass.	Conway, N. H.
Sept. 16	Exeter, N. H.	Francis Vernon Witham	Fred L. Witham	Lelia Emily Evans	Nova Scotia	Greenland, N. H.
Dec. 3	Kittery, Me.	Vesta Joy Spinney	Harlow R. Spinney	Elizabeth H. Tebo	Eliot, Me.	Waltham, Mass.
Dec. 6	Exeter, N. H.	Richard Norman Gendron	William J. Gendron	Bertha T. Maryea	Newmarket,	Plattsburg, N. Y.
Dec. 25	Exeter, N. H.	Lorin Noel Laviollette	Edward L. Laviollette	Marguerite F. Courtney	Leominster, M's.	Haverhill, Mass.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in years	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	By Whom Married
1944					Joseph Gendron	
June 17	Exeter, N. H.	Joseph Albert Gendron	23	Newmarket, N. H.	Ida Bruno	Rev. Daniel J. Cotter
		Pearl Brabant	19	Exeter, N. H.	Edward Brabant	
					Bella Roberge	
					Eugene Carbonneau	
Sept. 27	Epping, N. H.	Calvin G. Carbonneau	19	Stratham, N. H.	Laura Wentworth	Rev. E. J. Vaccarest
		Geraldine C. Gouin	18	Lee, N. H.	——— Gouin	
					Odelie Beaulieu Caron	
					Gail A. Carter	
Dec. 18	Stratham,	G. Winston Carter	26	Colebrook, N. H.	Lucy Etta Pinckney	Rev. Everard W. Snow
		Dorothy L. Berry	26	Haverhill, Mass.	George W. Berry	
					Etta Hicks	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944

Date	Name and Surname	Years	Months	Days	Place of Birth	Mar., Sin. or Wid	Name of Father	Name of Mother
1944								
Feb. 2	James W. Snell	81	8	18	Bear River, N. S.	M	William H. Snell	——— Harris
Mar. 25	Wallace A. Salisbury	48	7	26	Pomfret, Conn.	S	Albertin Salisbury	Jessie Angel
Apr. 5	Mary Louise Witham		8	19	Exeter, N. H.	S	Fred L. Witham	Lelia E. Evans
June 7	Marie P. Seavey	51	11	12	Portsmouth, N. H.	W	Otis Philbrick	Lillian Currier
July 28	Charles W. Carter	14	0	10	North Hampton, N. H.	S	C. William Carter	Todd Nesbit
July 29	Sarah J. Wells	68	9	14	Stratham, N. H.	M	George Wentworth	Lizzie Coburn
Sept. 8	John S. Scammon	90	1	17	Stratham, N. H.	W	John J. Scammon	Mahitable Chase
Sept. 21	Edward C. Alexander	61	4	6	Wales, Maine	M	Robert Alexander	Emily Herrick
Oct. 28	Mary Agusta Chase	87	0	16	Stratham, N. H.	W	William Brown	Agusta Moulton
Dec. 8	Charles Gear	92	9	15	Epping, N. H.	S	Rueben	Hannah Stockbridge
Dec. 30	Alice Mae Cook	76	3	4	West Milan, N. H.	M	Michael Lee	——— Cole

BROUGHT HERE FOR BURIAL

Apr. 27	Burton G. Saundres	76	7	18	New York City	M	Frederick Saunders	Annie Thorp
May 12	Jane Bain Edmunds	79	0	18	Yarmouth, N. S.	W	James Bain	Sarah Cann
May 25	Dana Wingate Baker	82	8	23	Portsmouth, N. H.	W	Samuel Baker	Carolyn Wingate
Aug. 21	Mildred L. C. Ricker	49	2	15	Limestone, Maine	S	James J. Callahan	Alice E. Nichols
Aug. 26	Etta J. Smart	80	7	3	Stratham, N. H.	W	Winthrop Taylor	Sarah E. Horn
Sept. 27	Nancy Ann Akers		7	10	Portsmouth, N. H.	S	Gordon A. Akers	Irene Hallquist

ANOTHER ENEMY TO CONQUER

Here is a home front fight that everyone can get into. Last year in this State 558 brush and forest fires burned over 4,648 acres of land, of which 2,788 acres were valuable timber and young growth. With available manpower the lowest of any year since the war started, you can help to keep this loss down by preventing these fires from starting.

Keep in mind these simple rules:

1. Always get a permit from your forest fire warden before starting any fires in the open. Burning under certain conditions is permitted.

2. Never burn unless you have enough help to control your fire—a permit does not excuse you of negligence in case it gets away.

3. Always report any uncontrolled fire promptly to your forest fire warden. Minutes lost are acres lost.

4. Be especially careful with cigarettes, matches and pipes. Smokers caused most of our fires.

5. Never leave a fire unless it is dead out. You can't feel safe while there is a spark left.

KEEP NEW HAMPSHIRE GREEN